REMARKS

This paper is responsive to the Office Action dated June 29, 2005. Claims 1-9 were examined.

Non-statutory Double Patenting Rejections

Claims 1-9 were rejected under the judicially created doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over claims 1-22 of U.S. Patent No. 6,525,655. Applicant submits herewith a terminal disclaimer and authorization to charge the fee required under 37 CFR § 1.20(d) to Deposit Account 50-0631 to overcome the non-statutory obviousness-type double patenting rejection.

In summary, claims 1-9 are in the case. All claims are believed to be allowable and a Notice of Allowance to that effect is respectfully solicited. Nonetheless, if any issues remain that could be more efficiently handled by telephone, the Examiner is requested to call the undersigned at the number listed below.

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